

Central College, Temporary Quarters  
1107 W. Washington St.  
Pella  
Marion County  
Iowa

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PHOTOGRAPHS

HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

STATE IOWA	COUNTY MARION	TOWN OR VICINITY PELLA
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) CENTRAL COLLEGE, TEMPORARY QUARTERS		HABS NO. IA-96
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 1107 W. Washington St.		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) Built in the late 1840s.	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) This structure was the temporary quarters for the Iowa Central University's (now Central College) first classes between 1845 and 1856.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) The two section building is of brick. They are capped by gable roofs.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular in shape, the entire structure is composed of twelve bays; the left section is one story and contains five bays, the right, two stories with seven bays.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Tumble brick at gable ends. Denticulated brick cornice on both sections.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Plank-and-beam floor construction. The two-story building at the right is only one story in the rear.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Once two separate structures, the building was joined somewhat later by the two central bays.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Unknown		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE The tumbled brick and plank-and-beam floor construction are Dutch construction practices.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Shank, Wesley I., <u>The Iowa Catalog: Historical American Buildings Survey</u> , University of Iowa Press, Iowa City, 1979.		
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